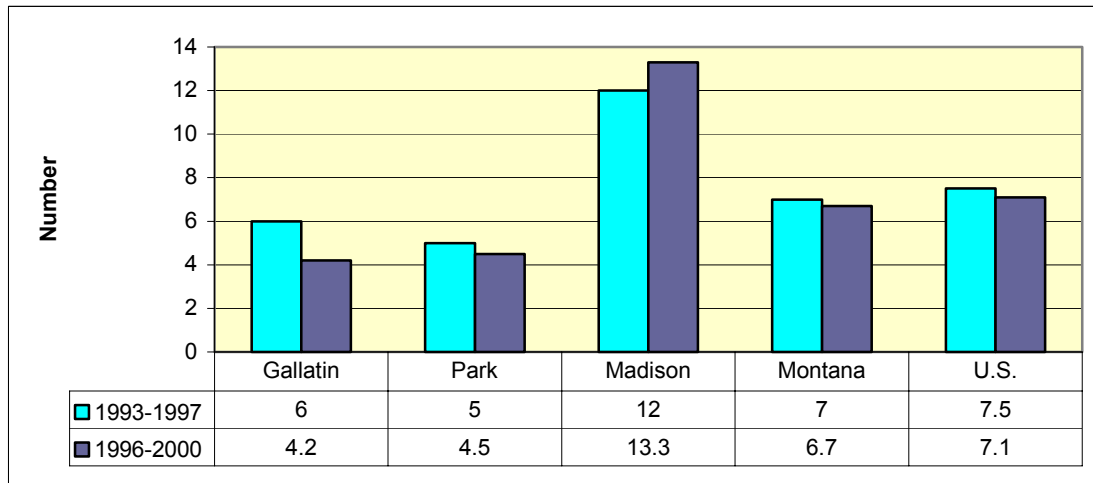


Infant Mortality: Rates have decreased over time on the national, state and local level, with Gallatin County showing lower rates than both the state and nation. On the other hand, Madison County has significantly higher rates of infant mortality and demonstrated a slight increase between 1993 and 2000.

Infant Mortality Rates Per 1,000 Live Births



Source: County Health Profile (1998 & 2002), DPHHS; National Center for Health Statistics

Comment: Rate of infant (from birth to 364 days old) deaths per 1,000 live births during the five-year period data are from DPHHS' s Vital Statistics Bureau.